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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 13, 2003, Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, to prosecute the species of Group I, directed to Fig. 1. Claims 1-3 read on Figure 1.

A prompt and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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